# Basic Conversational American Sign Language Level One

Level One is an introduction to ASL grammar and vocabulary, Deaf culture, equipment and devices. This class covers the first half of the course book.

## **Registration:**

April 15, 2013 thru June 10, 2013

#### Cost:

\$110 (\$90 Instruction + \$20 Course Book)

## **Class Dates:**

**Tuesday Evenings** 

5:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. 13-week session June 11<sup>th</sup> – September 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Payment**: Credit or Debit (Visa, Master Card), Check or Money Order payable to Bridges.

\*\*No refunds once payment is processed \*\*Credit toward a future class will be issued. Completed registration forms including payment may be sent or brought to:



# **New Address!**

935 Edgehill Avenue Nashville, TN 37203

Bridges's main office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Registration and payment information can be made online at www.hearingbridges.org.

You may also email Mike Helms, **mh@hearingbridges.org**, or call 615-290-5148 (videophone).

Credit card registrations are also accepted via phone.

**Location:** Classes will be held at the main office of Bridges, located at 935 Edgehill Avenue in downtown Nashville.

<u>Directions:</u> To Bridges main office.

From 65 NORTH: Take exit 81 for Wedgewood Avenue. Turn RIGHT onto Wedgewood Avenue. Turn RIGHT onto 8th Avenue South. Turn LEFT onto Edgehill Avenue.

From 65 SOUTH: Take exit 81 for Wedgewood Avenue. Turn LEFT onto Wedgewood Avenue. Turn RIGHT onto 8th Avenue South. Turn LEFT onto Edgehill Avenue.

It takes years to become fluent in any language, whether spoken or signed, and requires a commitment to practice, study and immersion into the culture to master a foreign language.

Learning American Sign Language (ASL) is in essence learning a foreign language because the grammar and syntax of ASL differ from that of written and spoken English.

Bridges's primary purpose in offering Basic Conversational ASL classes is to encourage and nurture the community's interest in American Sign Language, the Deaf community, and Deaf culture.

Bridges's classes are designed to give people a general knowledge of ASL and Deaf culture in order to carry on basic conversations. Our classes are NOT designed to serve as an interpreter training program.

People interested in becoming an interpreter may want to begin by taking our classes. However, they will need to then move on to an accredited degree program at a college or university and later sit for national certification exams.



ADULT COMMUNITY EDUCATION CLASSES (Non-credit)

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